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SUBJECT: FINAL STATEMENT BY US-BRAZIL JOINT GROUPS ON SCIENTIFIC AND
TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION AND ENERGY TECHNOLOGY

THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT WAS AGREED TO LATE SEPTEMBER 17, 1976, BY THE
US

AND BRAZILIAN DELEGATIONS TO THE MEETINGS OF THE JOINT GROUPS ON
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION AND ENERGY TECHNOLOGY. THE
STATEMENT HAS BEEN RELEASED BY THE BRAZILIANS.

"FIRST MEETING OF THE US-BRAZIL JOINT GROUPS ON SCIENTIFIC
AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION AND ON ENERGY TECHNOLOGY,
BRASILIA, SEPTEMBER 16-17, 1976.

THE FIRST MEETINGS OF THE US-BRAZIL JOINT GROUPS ON
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION AND ENERGY TECHNOLOGY
WERE HELD AT ITAMARATY, BRASILIAN ON SEPTEMBER 16, AND 17, 1976.
THE TWO JOINT GROUPS WERE ESTABLISHED IN CONNECTION WITH THE
UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING CONSULTATIONS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL
INTEREST REACHED BETWEEN THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED
STATES AND THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS OF BRAZIL ON
FEBRUARY 21, 1976, IN BRASILIA.

AMBASSADOR FREDERICK IRVING, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF
STATE FOR OCEANS AND INTERNATIONALEENVIRONMENTAL AND SCIENTIFIC
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ARRAIRSSERVED AS US CO-CHAIRMAN AT BOTH MEETINGS. THE BRAZILIAN

CO-CHAIRMAN FOR THE MEETINGS ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND ON ENERGY WERE AMBASSADOR FRANCISCO DE ASSIS GRIECO AND AMBASSADOR CABRAL DE MELLO, RESPECTIVELY.

THESE JOINT GROUP MEETINGS REPRESENT ONE EFFORT AMONG OTHERS BY BOTH COUNTRIES TO BUILD UPON A TRADITION OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION, TO DETERMINE NEW AREAS WHERE INTERESTS CONVERGE; AND TO FORGE NEW TIES BASED ON MUTUAL BENEFIT AND SHARED OBJECTIVES AND GOALS IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY:

THE JOINT GROUP ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION ADOPTED TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR ITS FUTURE ACTIVITIES, RECOMMENDED RENEWING AND BROADENING THE 1971 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL ON SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION TO INCLUDE TECHNOLOGICAL AS WELL AS SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION, AND IDENTIFIED NEW AREAS WITH POTENTIAL FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION, INCLUDING AGRICULTURE, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION, NATURAL RESOURCES, MEDICAL SCIENCE, BASIC AND APPLIED SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY.

BOTH SIDES AGREED TO SEARCH FOR MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE WAYS AND MECHANISMS FOR EXPANDING SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION.

BOTH DELEGATIONS AGREED ON THE MUTUAL INTEREST OF THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE QUESTION OF THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY AS WELL AS THE IMPORTANCE OF COOPERATION IN THE CONTEXT OF, AND COMPATIBLE WITH, ONGOING MULTILATERAL INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

IN ITS DISCUSSIONS, THE JOINT GROUP ON ENERGY TECHNOLOGY REVIEWED NATIONAL PROGRAMS IN VARIOUS NEW ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES SUCH AS SOLAR POWER, HYDROGEN, COAL GASIFICATION AND BIOCONVERSION AND IDENTIFIED A NUMBER OF TOPICS OF INTEREST TO BOTH COUNTRIES. THE ABOVE-MENTIONED TECHNOLOGIES WERE CONSIDERED BY BOTH SIDES TO HOLD THE HIGHEST PRIORITY FOR POTENTIAL COOPERATION. THE JOINT GROUP DECIDED TO EXCHANGE VISITS OF EXPERTS IN SOLAR ENERGY AND HYDROGEN TECHNOLOGY IN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE COOPERATIVE PROJECTS. SPECIALISTS IN HYDROGEN ARE SLATED TO MEET IN BRAZIL IN OCTOBER; A MEETING OF EXPERTS IN SOLAR ENERGY TECHNOLOGY WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE US IN NOVEMBER.

THE JOINT GROUPS AGREED TO MEET NEXT IN WASHINGTON ON MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE DATES."

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